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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

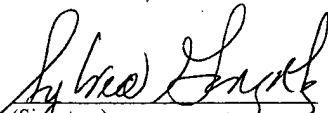
This amendment is a reply to the Office Action mailed on September 22, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application. The time set for filing a response to the Office Action expired on December 22, 2003. Applicant hereby submits a petition for a 3-month extension of time and encloses a check for the associated fee.

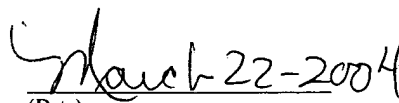
Accordingly, the time for responding to the Office Action now expires on March 22, 2004 and this amendment is timely filed.

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